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TO: Commanding Officer
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VIA: Captain William M. Stevens, USN
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SUBJECT: Services of LCDR James Lotzgesell USN
Special Projects Officer, USN-PIC;
Commendation on

1. It has just come to my attention that LCDR James Lotzgesell USN, Special Projects Officer, USN-PIC, will soon be completing his present assignment and I would like to take this opportunity to commend him for an excellent performance in the joint special projects which we have collaborated for the past two years.

2. LCDR Lotzgesell is an exceptionally fine officer with high capabilities, drive and dedication to duty. These qualities have assisted greatly in the establishment of our joint service projects, the results of which are now having a most important reception and demand in the U. S. intelligence community.

3. From my experience in the field, I think that I can estimate fairly closely some of the difficulties which had to be overcome before joint special projects could be executed. You are all too familiar with the crash deadlines, personnel limitations, security barriers and administrative hurdles with which we are confronted at all times. Despite these, LCDR Lotzgesell and his fellow workers have done an exceptional job and we at this end of the project line will be very sorry to see him leave.

4. My congratulations to you for assigning officers of such ability to our joint projects and may we both be fortunate enough to see their quality matched by future replacements.

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